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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

EMILIO RACHEL ESPER KALLAS,

Plaintiff,

-against-

THE G & P AGENCY, INC. et al.,

Defendants.

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<u>NOTICE OF</u> <u>REASSIGNMENT &</u> ORDER

## MARGARET M. GARNETT, United States District Judge:

This case has been reassigned to the undersigned. Unless and until the Court orders otherwise, all prior orders, dates, and deadlines shall remain in effect notwithstanding the case's reassignment. All counsel must familiarize themselves with the Court's Individual Rules & Practices ("Individual Rules"), which are available at <a href="https://nysd.uscourts.gov/hon-margaret-m-garnett">https://nysd.uscourts.gov/hon-margaret-m-garnett</a>.

It is hereby ORDERED that counsel for all parties appear for a conference with the Court on **Wednesday, May 1, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.** The conference will be held before Judge Garnett in Courtroom 906 of the Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse, 40 Foley Square, New York, NY 10007. Additionally, no later than **April 24, 2024**, the parties are hereby ORDERED to file on ECF a joint letter, described below, updating the Court on the status of the case. The joint letter shall not exceed five pages, and shall provide the following information in separate paragraphs:

- 1. Names of counsel and current contact information, if different from the information currently reflected on the docket;
- 2. A brief statement of the nature of the case and/or the principal defenses thereto, and the major legal and factual issues that are most important to resolving the case, whether by trial, settlement, or dispositive motion;
- 3. A statement of all existing deadlines, due dates, and/or cut-off dates;
- 4. A statement of any previously scheduled conference dates with the Court that have not yet occurred and the matters that were to be discussed;
- 5. A detailed statement of any discovery that has already taken place, including how many depositions each party has taken and what, if any, discovery remains that is necessary for the parties to engage in meaningful settlement negotiations;
- 6. A brief description of the status of prior settlement discussions, without disclosing exact offers and demands;
- 7. A statement of whether the parties have discussed the use of alternate dispute resolution mechanisms and indicating whether the parties believe that (a) a

settlement conference before a Magistrate Judge; (b) participation in the District's Mediation Program; and/or (c) retention of a privately retained mediator would be appropriate and, if so, when in the case (e.g., within the next 60 days; etc.) the use of such a mechanism would be appropriate;

- 8. An estimate of the length of trial; and
- 9. Any other information that the parties believe may assist the Court in advancing the case to settlement or trial, including, but not limited to, a description of any dispositive issue or novel issue raised by the case.

If this case has been settled or otherwise terminated, counsel are not required to submit such letter or to appear, provided that a stipulation of discontinuance, voluntary dismissal, or other proof of termination is filed on the docket prior to the deadline, using the appropriate ECF Filing Event. *See* SDNY ECF Rules & Instructions §§ 13.17-13.19 & App'x A, *available at* <a href="https://nysd.uscourts.gov/electronic-case-filing">https://nysd.uscourts.gov/electronic-case-filing</a>.

In accordance with Rule I(B)(5) of the Court's Individual Rules, requests for extensions or adjournments may be made only by letter-motion filed on ECF. Unless counsel are notified that the conference has been adjourned, it will be held as scheduled.

Counsel who have entered a notice of appearance as of the issuance of this Order are directed (1) to notify counsel for all other parties in this action who have not yet appeared by serving upon each of them a copy of this Order and the Court's Individual Rules forthwith, and (2) to file proof of such notice with the Court. If unaware of the identity of counsel for any of the parties, counsel receiving this order must forthwith send a copy of this Order and the Court's Individual Rules to that party personally.

Dated: March 13, 2024

New York, New York

SO ORDERED.

United States District Judge